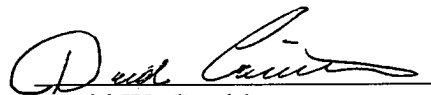


In the present case, the nonelected substrates in claim 3, (fused silica quartz, alumina, and sapphire) are suitable substitutes and considered to be alternate substrates for which a single process for providing a novel method of synthesizing bulk nanowires of metal can be provided to form products have similar characteristics as related to low melting metals and the process for bulk formation thereof. Applicant submits that the process and products produced therefrom are linked together as one invention and that the combination of the claims are supported for the process and substrates and the one skilled in the art would search in both subclasses.

Applicant respectfully requests that the restriction requirement be withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,

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